Indian Forest Service (Pay) Fourth Amendment Rules, 1987.

(iv) G.S.R. No. 619, dated the 15th August, 1987, publishing the Indian Forest Service (Fixation of Cadre Strength) Third Amendment Regulations, 1987.

[Placed in Library. *See* LT No. 4849/87 for (i) to (iv)].

**Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987.**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): Madam, I beg to lay on the Table under sub-section (6 ) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Industry (Department of Chemicals and Petro-chemicals) Notification E.O. No. 794(E), dated the 26th August, 1987, publishing the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987. (Placed in Library. See LT No. 4866/87)].

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**SEVENTY-THIRD AND SEVENTY-FOURTH REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION**

PROF. N. M. KAMBLE (Maharashtra): Madam, I beg to present the Seventy-third and Seventy-fourth Reports (in English and Hindi) of the Committee on Subordinate Legislation.

**PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE—** Contd.

CORRESPONDENCE EXCHANGED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AND THE GOVERNMENT **of Sweden and M/s. AB Bofors**

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have received a communication from Shri K. C. Pant, Minister of Defence, wanting to lay on the Table of the House copies of correspondence exchanged between the Government of India and the Government of Sweden and M/s. AB Bofors. I now call upon the Defence Minister, Shri K. C. Pant to do so.

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. C. PANT): Madam, I beg to lay on the Table of the House copies of the correspondence exchanged between the Government of India and (1) the Government of Sweden, and (2) M/s. AB Bofors for securing complete infirmation regarding the payments made by Bofors in respect of their Indian contract. [Placed in Library. *See* LT No. 4856/87].

**श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी** (मध्य प्रदेश): महोदया, हम इस पर चर्चा मांग रहे हैं।

**उपसभापति**: पेपर्स लेड ऑन दि टेबल पर चर्चा होती है कभी ?

**कुछ माननीय सदस्य**: होती है, क्यों नहीं हो सकती ?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: They have laid on the Table of the House. (*Interruptions*). You have to give notice for that.

**श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी**: हमने मांग की थी कि यह बात पर रखा जाए। लोकसभा में यह रखा गया, राज्य सभा के साथ दुर्व्यवहार क्यों हो रहा है ?

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH (West Bengal): Madam, while seeking clarifications on Mr. Shivraj Patil's statement correcting his earlier observation on the 20th of this month, we wanted the Minister to lay all papers and the notes of discussions taken place between the Bofors's representative and the Government on the Table of the House on that day. But the Minister did not accept our plea. On that day, he refused. However, It is good that Yesterday he laid all these papers on the Table in the other House. Today we requested you to give us an opportunity to

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raise this point so that these papers are laid on the Table and at the same time we can discuss the matters arising out of this correspondence. So, tomorrow is the last day of the Session. So, my request to you Madam, is to fix up certain time so that we can discuss the matters arising out of the correspondence which is just laid on the Table today.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI (Maharasthra): Madam, in this House, at least for the last 20 years, no such occasion has arisen that just on the laying of papers on the Table a discussion starts ... (*Interruptions*)

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: We want a discussion on the papers laid on the Table.

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: If a statement is made in the Rajya Sabha, the Members can seek clarifications.

The other point is that my friends from the Opposition side were asking and requesting the Minister to lay the papers on the Table. The papers are already laid on the Table. Let them read and get satisfied. (*Interruptions*) You had umpteen number of discussions here. Why are you asking again to discuss? Now the papers are laid on the Table. You read them and enjoy yourself. (*Interruptions*) What is the discussion there now?

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: That is to be decided by the House. (*Interruptions*)

SHRI A. G. KULKARNI: There is nothing on the agenda for a discussion. It is for the presiding officer to decide.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Precisely, that is why we are demanding it.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: (Andhra Pradesh): Madam, why we are asking for a discussion is because papers have been laid today regarding correspondence with the Bofors. And Bofors has been shifting its stand frequently. According to today's papers the chairman of Bofors company has admitted that amounts have been paid to Indian and other persons, about 250 million kronor.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: This is only regarding correspondence. (*Interruptions*) No, this is something new and you cannot raise it.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Correspondence relates to the payment to middlemen.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Listen, whatever it may be concerned with, the laying of papers is regarding correspondence and those papers which you wanted have been laid on the Table.

SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: We want a discussion on that.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You cannot discuss it like that. (*Interruptions*). Now, there is a motion for nomination to the Joint Committee. Yes, Shri P. Chidambaram.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: What have you decided about this thing?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am not allowing it.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Madam, it is within the right of Members to raise a discussion.

**श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी :** कल सैशन खत्म होने जा रहा है । हम चाहते हैं कि इस पर कल चर्चा हो जाये । **(व्यवधान)**

**श्री राम अवधेश सिंह :** (बिहार) आप अनमन्टिल न किसी गलत परम्परा कायम कर रही है । **(व्यवधान)**

**उपसभापति :** नियम के मुताबिक कर रही हूं ।

SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: (Karnataka): We requested the Minister to lay the entire correspondence on the Table of the House.